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Subject: Petition for Exemption to 14 CFR Part 145.107 (a)(1)

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) issued a final rule to update and revise the 14 CFR Part 145 repair station regulations on January 31, 2004. Part 145.107 added requirements for Satellite repair stations. Specifically, Section (a)(1) states a satellite repair station may not hold a rating not held by the certificated repair station with managerial control. In compliance with 14 CFR Part 11.71, Delta is formally filing a petition for exemption of 145.107 for the purpose that Delta Air Lines has a certificated repair station in Dallas/Fort Worth (DFW), TX, which is under the managerial control of the Atlanta, GA certificated repair station, and holds a rating not held by the Atlanta repair station.

The repair station facility in DFW houses a slide and raft shop and subsequently holds an Emergency Equipment Limited Rating for the overhaul and repair of slides, rafts, vests, inflators, and aspirators. The repair station in Atlanta does not have the capabilities, or the rating to accomplish this maintenance. Therefore, Delta Air Lines is seeking relief from compliance with 14 CFR Part 145.107 (a)(1).

Delta Air Lines has been maintaining the noted emergency equipment in DFW since the opening of the facility in 1984. The slides, rafts, vests, inflators and aspirators will be maintained in accordance with the maintenance performance rules prescribed in 14 CFR Part 43 and safety will not be adversely affected by granting this exemption.

This exemption will only be applicable to the satellite repair station in DFW. A summary of information that may be used to publish the exemption in the Federal Register would read as follows: "To permit Delta Air Lines satellite repair station in DFW, certificate number DALD026A, to have a Limited Rating for the following Emergency Equipment: slides, rafts, vests, inflators, and aspirators."

Should you require additional information concerning this request, please advise Michael Denaro at 404-714-5837.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Turco".

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